

CLAIMS

The invention is claimed as follows:

1. A drink supply canister for a beverage dispensing apparatus in a
5 refrigerator, said drink supply canister comprising:
 - a body adapted to hold a drink supply under pressure;
 - a gas inlet valve connected to said body; and
 - a drink supply outlet valve connected to said body.
- 10 2. The drink supply container of Claim 1, wherein the drink supply outlet valve includes a tilt valve.
- 15 3. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the drink supply outlet valve includes a rotatable valve.
4. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the drink supply outlet valve is removably attached to the body.
- 20 5. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the gas inlet valve is removably attached to the body.
6. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the gas inlet valve includes an umbrella valve.

7. The drink supply container of Claim 1, wherein the drink supply outlet valve includes a tilt valve and the gas inlet valve includes an umbrella valve.

5 8. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the gas inlet valve includes a grommet.

9. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the gas inlet valve includes a pierceable sealing member.

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10. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, wherein the body includes a first end and a second end, and wherein the gas inlet valve is connected to said first end and the gas outlet valve is connected to said second end.

15 11. The drink supply canister of Claim 1, which includes a first mating member connected to the body which is adapted to co-act with a second mating member of a drink supply canister holder of the beverage dispensing apparatus.

12. A drink supply canister for beverage dispensing apparatus in a refrigerator, said drink supply canister comprising:

a body adapted to hold a drink supply under pressure; and

5 valve means connected to said body for allowing gas into said body means and drink supply out of said body.

13. The drink supply canister of Claim 12, wherein the valve means includes a gas inlet valve connected to said body and a drink supply outlet

10 valve connected to said body.

14. The drink supply canister of Claim 12, wherein the value means is removably connected to said body.

15 15. The drink supply canister of Claim 12, wherein the value means includes a gas inlet value removably connected to said body.

16. The drink supply canister of Claim 12, wherein the value means includes a drink supply outlet value removably connected to said body.

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17. The drink supply canister of Claim 12, wherein the value means includes a drink supply outlet value removably connected to said body and a gas inlet value removably connected to said body.

18. A drink supply canister for a beverage dispenser in a refrigerator, the
drink supply canister having a cylindrical wall, a first end connected to said
cylindrical wall and a second end connected to said cylindrical wall, said drink
5 supply canister comprising:

- a gas inlet valve connected to the first end;
- a sealing member adapted to be movably mounted within an opening of
the second end; and
- a movable spout connected to said second end to close said opening,

10 said movable spout adapted to be displaced by an actuator mounted in the
refrigerator adjacent to the movable spout to open said opening.

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19. The drink supply canister of Claim 18, wherein the movable spout is
adapted to be laterally displaced.

20. The drink supply canister of Claim 18, wherein the drink supply valve is
open when the actuator displaces the movable spout a predetermined
distance.

20 21. The drink supply canister of Claim 18, wherein the drink supply valve is
closed when the actuator does not displace the movable spout a
predetermined distance.

22. A drink supply canister for a beverage dispenser in a refrigerator, said drink supply canister comprising:

- a body having at least one end defining an opening;
- a gas inlet valve connected to the body;

5 a connection member adapted to be removably connected to the end of the body defining said opening; and

- a rotatable valve member connected to the connection member.

23. The drink supply canister of Claim 22, wherein the rotatable member
10 has an open position and a closed position.

24. The drink supply canister of Claim 22, wherein the rotatable valve member includes a plurality of gear teeth.